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### Subpart A—General

#### § 8.1 Scope.

This part sets forth procedures for the classification, declassification, and availability of information that must be protected in the interest of national security, in implementation of Executive Order 12958 of April 17, 1995, "Classified National Security Information;" and for the review of decisions to revoke, or not to issue, national security information clearances, or to deny access to classified information, under Executive Order 12968 of August 2, 1995, "Access to National Security Information".

#### § 8.3 Applicability.

This part applies to all elements of the Department of Transportation.

#### § 8.5 Definitions.

As used in this part:

*Classification* means the act or process by which information is determined to be classified information.

*Classification levels* means the following three levels at which information may be classified:

(a) Top secret. Information that requires the highest degree of protection, and the unauthorized disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to cause exceptionally grave damage to the national security that the original classification authority is able to identify or describe.

(b) Secret. Information that requires a substantial degree of protection, and the unauthorized disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to cause